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SEVEN BRITISH-TRAINED SPIES CAPTURED

Tirana, ATA, in French Morse to Europe, Oct 25, 1951, 0908 GMT--L

(Text)

"Tirana--Today's Albanian press publishes the following communique from the Ministry of the Interior of the Albanian People's Republic:

"State security forces, helped by the people, have recently eliminated seven spies and diversionists parachuted into Albania by the British Intelligence Service. They had been specially trained in espionage by the British Intelligence Service in Greece and Malta, and taken to Albania by sea and by air to carry out espionage and diversionary activities for the British Intelligence Service.

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"They are: Rahim Jeladine Dogiani, from the village of Osmanaj, (Koukes District), previously fled abroad, killed; Han Kotarja, a native of the village of Kalis, in the Koukes District, previously fled abroad, killed; Selim Topuzi, a native of the village of Ludjai, (Pechkopi District), previously fled abroad, killed; Tefik Kola, native of the village of Kokel, (Gramch District), former commanding officer of a "Balli Kombetar" battalion in that area, previously fled abroad, smuggled into Albania by sea, killed; and Mutcho Tcheprati, a native from the village of Tcheprati, (sic) (Mra District), fled abroad, smuggled into Albania by sea, captured alive but wounded.

"Two other spies and diversionary agents who have not been completely identified as yet were also killed. From documents found on them, however, it is evident that they had been trained by the British Intelligence Service and dropped over Albania by air. Weapons, signaling equipment, and various other documents have been impounded by us."

B R I E F S

PARTY ANNIVERSARY--The 10th anniversary of the foundation of the Albanian Workers Party will be marked by celebrations on Nov. 8. Up and down the country preparations are under way to enhance this anniversary by celebrations and better working results. (Tirana, ATA, in French Morse to Europe, Oct. 25, 1951, 0955 GMT--L)

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